

000561 REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION CITY OF SAN DIEGO		1. CERTIFICATE NUMBER (FOR AUDITOR'S USE) 108 615					
TO: CITY ATTORNEY	2. FROM (ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT): San Diego Fire Rescue	3. DATE: 3/7/2007					
4. SUBJECT: FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant							
5. PRIMARY CONTACT (NAME, PHONE & MAIL STA.) Monica Orton, 619 533-4304	6. SECONDARY CONTACT (NAME, PHONE & MAIL STA.) Louise Harkness, 619 533-4313	7. CHECK BOX IF REPORT TO COUNCIL IS ATTACHED <input type="checkbox"/>					
8. COMPLETE FOR ACCOUNTING PURPOSES							
FUND	DEPT.	9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / ESTIMATED COST: The grant match requirement is \$286,340. The department will pursue other grants for the match requirement.					
ORGANIZATION	OBJECT ACCOUNT						
JOB ORDER	C.I.P. NUMBER						
AMOUNT							
10. ROUTING AND APPROVALS							
ROUTE (#)	APPROVING AUTHORITY	APPROVAL SIGNATURE	DATE SIGNED	ROUTE (#)	APPROVING AUTHORITY	APPROVAL SIGNATURE	DATE SIGNED
1	ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	<i>[Signature]</i>	4/5/07	8	DEPUTY CHIEF	<i>[Signature]</i>	4-27-07
2	EAS	<i>[Signature]</i>	4-6-07	9	COO	<i>[Signature]</i>	5/1/07
3	EOCP	<i>[Signature]</i>	4/12/07	10	CITY ATTORNEY	<i>[Signature]</i>	5/9/07
4	LIAISON OFFICE	<i>[Signature]</i>	4/17/07	11	ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	<i>[Signature]</i>	5/14/07
5	FM	<i>[Signature]</i>	4/14/07		DOCKET COORD:	<i>[Signature]</i>	
6	AUDITOR	<i>[Signature]</i>	04/24/07		COUNCIL PRESIDENT	<i>[Signature]</i>	
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11. PREPARATION OF: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RESOLUTION(S) <input type="checkbox"/> ORDINANCE(S) <input type="checkbox"/> AGREEMENT(S) <input type="checkbox"/> DEED(S)							
1. Authorizing the Mayor or his representative to make application to the Department of Homeland Security - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) U.S. Fire Administration for \$1,431,700 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for the acquisition of a fully equipped Type I Heavy Rescue Apparatus. (continued)							
11A. STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Approve Resolution							
12. SPECIAL CONDITIONS:							
<u>COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):</u>		ALL					
<u>COMMUNITY AREA(S):</u>		ALL					
<u>ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:</u>		This activity is not a "Project and therefore exempt from CEQA pursuant to the State guidelines section 15060 (C) (3).					
<u>HOUSING IMPACT:</u>		NONE					
<u>OTHER ISSUES:</u>		NONE					

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 CITY ATTORNEY

1472 – Grant Application: FEMA's Assistance to Firefighter Grant

(Continuation of #11)

2. Authorizing the Mayor or his representative to take all necessary actions to secure grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security – Federal Emergency Management's U.S. Fire Administration for a fully equipped Type I Heavy Rescue Apparatus.
3. Authorizing the Auditor and Comptroller to accept, appropriate and expend funds contingent upon receipt of fully executed grant agreement, identification of required matching funds, and auditors certification that grant and matching funds are or will be on deposit with the City Treasurer.
4. Authorizing the Auditor and Comptroller to establish a special interest-bearing fund for the grant.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET
CITY OF SAN DIEGO

DATE ISSUED:	REPORT NO:
ATTENTION:	Council President and City Council
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	San Diego Fire-Rescue Department
SUBJECT:	FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):	Citywide
CONTACT/PHONE NUMBER:	Tracy Jarman, Fire Chief

REQUESTED ACTION:

Approve Recommendation

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

1. Authorize the Mayor or his representative to make application to the Department of Homeland Security – Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) U.S. Fire Administration for \$1,431,700 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for the acquisition of a fully equipped Type I Heavy Rescue Apparatus.
2. Authorize the Mayor or his representative to take all necessary actions to secure grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security – Federal Emergency Management Agency's U.S. Fire Administration for a fully equipped Type I Heavy Rescue Apparatus.
3. Authorize the Auditor and Comptroller to accept, appropriate and expend funds if grant funding is secured.
4. Authorize the Auditor and Comptroller to establish a special interest-bearing fund for the grant.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The U.S. Fire Administration administers the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency. The intent of this program is to provide grant funding to local fire departments to protect the public and firefighting personnel from fire and to effectively respond to an all-hazards environment.

This action authorizes the Mayor to pursue grant funding through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's U.S. Fire Administration for the purchase of a fully equipped Type I Heavy Rescue Apparatus.

The County of San Diego covers 4,255 square miles with a resident population of 2,813,833. Yet, there is only one Type I Heavy Rescue unit south of Riverside, and that vehicle is located in Chula Vista. In the event of a medium to large-scale incident, the City of San Diego, as well as San Diego County, lacks sufficient rescue capability to respond effectively.

The primary mission of a Type I Heavy Rescue unit is the search, rescue/extrication and initial medical stabilization of trapped victims. Structural collapse is most often the cause of the entrapment of victims, but victims may also be trapped in transportation accidents, mines, collapsed trenches and on cliffs. This asset may also be needed for a variety of emergencies or disasters, including earthquakes, storms, floods, dam failures, or terrorist events. This heavy

rescue apparatus will be approximately 36 feet long, carry up to six firefighters and include an extensive inventory of equipment. Staffed with personnel trained in the techniques required to conduct rescue operations, and equipped with the necessary tools and equipment, this apparatus would be available on a 24/7 basis. Adding a Type I Heavy Rescue unit to San Diego Fire-Rescue will significantly enhance the City's response capability, ultimately improve service delivery and provide for the overall safety of firefighters and the community.

FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS:

If the grant is approved and secured, the City would receive \$1,145,360 from the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency. Total project cost is \$1,431,700. The required match for the grant is 20% of the total project cost, which would be \$286,340. The Department will pursue other grants to use as matching funds.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL and/or COMMITTEE ACTION:

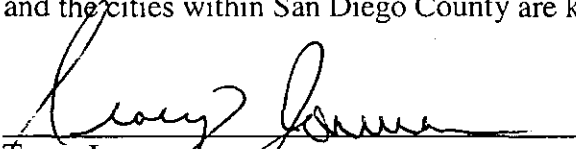
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COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORTS:

If awarded the grant and once the heavy rescue unit is placed into service, San Diego Fire-Rescue will conduct an outreach effort to include the media and key stakeholders.

KEY STAKEHOLDERS AND PROJECTED IMPACTS:

The key stakeholders include the City of San Diego, citizens and visitors in San Diego, as well as San Diego firefighters. Additionally, the residents, visitors and firefighters of San Diego County and the cities within San Diego County are key stakeholders.


Tracy Jarman
Originating Department


Jill Olen
Deputy Chief Public Safety and Homeland
Security

RESOLUTION NUMBER R-_____

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS
REPRESENTATIVE TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FEDERAL
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY [FEMA] FOR
ASSISTANCE TO THE FIREFIGHTERS GRANT.

WHEREAS, a Type I Heavy Rescue unit is used for the search, rescue/extrication and
initial medical stabilization of trapped victims; and

WHEREAS, there is only one Type I Heavy Rescue unit south of Riverside and in the
event of a medium to large-scale incident, the City and County of San Diego lacks sufficient
rescue capability to respond effectively; and

WHEREAS, adding a Type I Heavy Rescue unit to San Diego Fire-Rescue will
significantly enhance the City's response capability, ultimately improve service delivery and
provide for the overall safety of firefighters and the community; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Fire Administration administers the Assistance to Firefighters
Grant Program for the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management
Agency [FEMA]; and

WHEREAS, the program provides grant funding to local fire departments to protect the
public and firefighting personnel from fire and to effectively respond to an all-hazards
environment; and

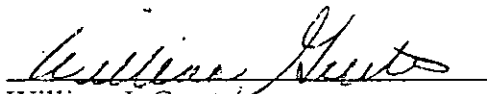
WHEREAS, if the grant is approved and secured, the City would receive \$1,145,360, the total project cost would be \$1,431,700, and a 20% (\$286,349) City matching requirement would be pursued through other grants, NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego that the Council authorizes:

1. That the Mayor or his representative is authorized to make application to the Department of Homeland Security – FEMA U.S. Fire Administration for \$1,431,700 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for the acquisition of a fully equipped Type I Heavy Rescue Apparatus.
2. The Mayor or his representative is authorized to take all necessary actions to secure grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security – FEMA's U.S. Fire Administration for a fully equipped Type I Heavy Rescue Apparatus.
3. The Auditor and Comptroller is authorized to accept, appropriate, and expend funds if grant funding is secured.
4. The Auditor and Comptroller is authorized to establish a special interest-bearing fund for the grant.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By


William J. Gersten
Deputy City Attorney

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05/10/2007
Or.Dept:Fire
R-2007-1105

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of _____.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By _____
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor